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**ENOUGH WINE IN BOND  
IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
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LOS ANGELES, Sept. 5.—Southern California wineries produced 2,524,909 gallons of wine during the fiscal year which closed July 1, and the withdrawals for the same period amounted to 1,979,744 gallons, according to a survey of the stocks of wine held in bonded wineries, which was completed yesterday by Collector of Internal Revenue Rex Goodcell and forwarded to Washington. Private stocks held in homes is not included in the wine reported by the federal chief. Withdrawals of wine from bonded wineries for the year totaled 1,979,744 gallons. Of this quantity 655,889 gallons was shipped in bond to points outside of California. Only 64,487 gallons was withdrawn tax-paid for distribution in California for religious and medicinal purposes, while 155,702

gallons was removed for distilling. The losses on storage and from evaporation was 199,666 gallons. A total of 1,808,669 gallons of wine was on hand in the bonded wineries on July 1.

Of the 2,524,909 gallons of wine made in Southern California in 1923, 1,385,148 gallons was under 14 per cent, 1,128,923 gallons over 14 per cent and under 21 per cent, and 10,338 gallons over 21 per cent and under 24 per cent. Comparison of the production with the withdrawals indicates that the supply of wine held in bonded wineries is materially increasing. Approximately 26,000,000 gallons of wine is held in the bonded wineries of the entire state of California, of which 125 are located in Southern California. This is almost wine enough to float the Leviathan.

**FORGETTERIES**

By Mary Muchtalk

A successful business woman told me that her chief asset has been her good memory. Another says happiness is secured by learning to forget. So both a memory and a forgettery is valuable—each, however, in its proper place.

I used to come in contact quite frequently with a young office man who had such a woefully forlorn expression it made one sad to look at him. It was a great relief on a recent occasion to find an entirely different expression lighting up his face; and as he is such a young, young man, and I'm so comfortably old, I took the liberty of

saying he must be feeling usually good, he looked so happy. "No," he said; "I guess I've learned to forget."

It didn't seem possible that he could have lived years enough to have stored up so many grievances, but as "every heart knows its own bitterness," he knew better than I what his trials had been. I rejoice with him that he has learned the valuable lesson of such forgetting.

A guest in my home some years ago told me confidentially how her early married life had been made miserable by a mother-in-law whom no one could please, but now that those years were past she refused to let her mind dwell on them, and the consequence was she was a happy woman, radiating happiness on those around her, just because she had learned the lesson of forgetting.

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**NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT No. 13**

Narbonne Ranch Water Co. No. 4. Location of Office and Principal Place of Business: Lomita, Cal. Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the directors of the Narbonne Ranch Water Company No. 4, held on July 24, 1923, an assessment of \$30.00 per share was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation, payable immediately to the Secretary of the corporation at the office of the company, near the Town of Lomita, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on September 10, 1923, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before, will be sold on the 10th day of November, 1923, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

Dated July 24, 1923.  
O. W. THISTLE,  
Sept. 7 Secretary-Treasurer.

**Certificate of Doing Business Under  
a Fictitious Name.**

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that we are transacting business in Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California, under the firm name and style of CALIFORNIA OIL TOOL COMPANY; that the name in full of all members of such partnership are Louis J. Smith, John Sidebotham and Martin Schuerman; and that the places of our respective residences is set opposite our respective names subscribed hereto.

In Witness Whereof, We have hereunto set our hands and seals this 9th day of August, A. D. 1923.  
Louis J. Smith, Torrance, Cal.  
John Sidebotham, Lomita, Calif.  
Martin Schuerman, Gardena, Cal.

State of California, County of Los Angeles, ss.

On this 9th day of August, A. D. 1923, before me, L. J. Hunter, a Notary Public in and for the said County and State, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Louis J. Smith, John Sidebotham and Martin Schuerman, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

(Seal) L. J. HUNTER,  
Notary Public in and for said County and State.  
Sept. 7

**L. E. Stoner Recalls  
Wild Oil Wells In  
California Fields**

L. E. Stoner, local contractor who is doing a large amount of building for Selby & Root and the Petroleum Securities company (Doheny) in the southern extension of the oil field, has been through many an oil boom. The development here reminds Mr. Stoner of the boom that struck Maricopa, in Kern county, when the Lake View gusher roared in unexpectedly. Maricopa, a mere dot on the map, grew to 5000 population almost overnight. "In those days," says Mr. Stoner, "men fought for oil—but not through the agency of lease-hounds. Eight men were permitted to prove up a quarter section.

"It was this condition that made the case of the Lake View well interesting. The original eight met with many reverses and soon, financially embarrassed, they turned the well over to the Union Oil company, which in turn had a hard time. The hole was being drilled with cable tools.

"Jack Tait, Union superintendent, gave orders to abandon the hole, and the driller remarked that he would finish the screw—a matter of four feet. He did so, and the next day Maricopa was famous all over the world on account of the gusher that boomed in.

"For fully a year there were small blotches of oil two and three miles away from the well."

Mr. Stoner recalls another remarkable case in which the New Center Oil company received a surprise.

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